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"Too much patronage," says David D. Hill, "is a dangerous thing."

A Georgia editor described a defaulter as "six feet tall and \$10,000 short."

According to the Gridiron Club, Speaker Reed is afflicted with "ossification of the backbone."

The eloquence suppressed during the House debate on the Teller resolution is expected to escape into the Congressional Record.

China now proposes to settle the controversy about its proposed loan by awarding half of it to England and half to Russia.

The widow of Capt. D. W. Bradshaw, of Company D, Seventh Illinois Cavalry, has resigned her pension. The reason is that she has fallen heir to a fortune.

The Mail and Express, a Republican organ of great repute, says that Tom Platt is the product of the most detestable machine methods known to modern politics.

Maybe President McKinley invited Mark Hanna to share the White House with him in order that Mark might not be led to foreclose the mortgage, thinks the St. Louis Republican.

The House Tuesday decreed that hereafter the highest rate charged for the annual use of a telephone in the District of Columbia shall be \$50, with lower rates when more than one instrument is on the same wire.

"Prior to the sailing of the first-class armored cruiser Vizcaya for the United States, the admiral made a speech to the crew, in which he said, 'You are charged with a mission of peace.' Yes!

Mrs. Griffiths' husband has called on Senator Hanna in Washington regarding a federal job promised for work performed. Mrs. Griffiths' husband will no doubt discover that he is not of as much importance now as before Mark's Senatorial election.

The Savannah News rises to remark that the recent appearance of Speaker Reed in the House lobby smoking a Wheeling "stogie" illustrates the extent to which that plebeian production of the American tobacco manufacturer has made its way into "polite society."

A splendid tribute to the law-abiding character of the Irish people is paid by Chief Magistrate E. J. Lloyd, of County Kerry, Ireland, who was formerly Chief Constable of York, England. Speaking recently from the bench, he congratulated the people of his district on the fact that after four months of constant attendance as resident Magistrate in that portion of Ireland, comprising an area of 1,000 square miles, he had never yet had before him a single complaint of theft and not one case of criminal assault on women and children. Both these classes of crimes, he asserted, were common in England.

According to the exhibit of the Richmond Dispatch, the result of the efforts of the last Legislature in reducing the criminal expenses of the State was the saving of \$50,000. The expenses fell from \$78,291.37 in 1896 to \$22,273.16 in 1897. This is an excellent showing. The special joint committee of the present General Assembly on expenditures of State institutions submitted their report to this Legislature yesterday and the impression prevails that if the committee's recommendations are adopted there will be an additional saving to the State of some \$75,000, or perhaps slightly more, per annum.

## UNCOMFORTABLY TRUE.

It is a fact that the very same day the President and Republican members of Congress in Washington saw "the noontide of prosperity," a notice announcing a reduction of 20 per cent. in wages was posted in the great mills of the Wheeling Iron and Steel Company, where hundreds of men are employed. The Alexandria Gazette in commenting upon this state of affairs, very properly observes, that "a high tariff increases the price of things, but that it does not increase that of labor is a sorry truth to millions of the workmen of this country."

It is altogether proper to encourage both by action and words everything that will tend to hasten the return of prosperity to the country, but it is exceedingly difficult to make a man believe that prosperity is abroad in the land at the very time 20 per cent. of his hard earnings are being taken away from him. What sort of prosperity is it that takes from the wages of these men 20 per cent of their earnings? And how does the McKinley tariff benefit them? This is one thing the workmen of the country are thinking about, and something they fail to understand.

## WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

The New York Chamber of Commerce has sent to Congress a mammoth petition, signed by all the large manufacturers in the country, asking that American commercial rights in China shall be safe-guarded against encroachments of other nations. This is but the beginning of what may become a grave matter. Suppose, for instance, that China is partitioned off among the great powers, shall we claim our share, and if denied enforce the claim by force of arms? Or is the right now given us to trade in certain Chinese ports worth fighting for or is it not?

A like situation seems to be confronting England, and without further to do about it the Chancellor of the Exchequer of that nation declares emphatically that any attempt to deprive Great Britain of her commercial rights in any of the Chinese ports will result into war. The Philadelphia Ledger, in referring to this subject, concludes that "it is not absolutely necessary for us to take such a decided attitude at present, since England's declaration is not in her own interest alone, but in those of the whole commercial world, and we shall share in whatever benefits she secures, but a position behind her shield is not a wholly honorable one for us to take, and she, very properly, demands at least our moral support in her undertaking if we would share in its results."

It desires to know if "she shall have it or shall she not? The statesmen in Congress might with propriety devote some of their time to considering this question, which is likely to come up in various shapes and with increasing urgency in the near future."

## A WAR REMINISCENCE.

Way back in the early days of the war, a detachment from one of the Confederate vessels was made up at Richmond for the purpose of going to North Carolina to capture or destroy a couple of Federal gunboats when lying in the Neuse river. The detachment was under the command of Lieutenant John Tyler Wood, and without going into details it is sufficient to say that the expedition was successful in that it destroyed one of the gunboats and captured its crew by surprise. But then a recount of the achievements of the few daring men who composed the detachment is not the purpose of this story, but rather to recall an incident which occurred when the men made a temporary halt at Battleboro, N. C., while enroute. An old soldier who was a member of the expedition, relates the following: "When our train pulled up at the station at Battleboro," said he, "a young and beautiful girl somewhere about 18 years of age was seen standing on the small platform, apparently waiting for us to come up, and just as the train came to a standstill she stepped up to a window and handed one of our men, who was entirely unknown to her, the following written on a small slip of paper:

"This cruel war is raging yet, But how much longer we can't tell; But when it's over come and see Nancy Tyler at Battleboro, N. C." The old soldier who related the incident to The Virginian yesterday, says he has thought of it a thousand times since its occurrence, and naturally wonders whether or not the comrade to whom the paper was given ever returned to Battleboro to see the young lady who so unceremoniously put it in his hand. He wonders further whether the patriotic young lady still lives, or whether, like untold thousands since that day, she has passed "o'er the silent river."

## MADE IN GERMANY.

Very many people believe that almost every article bearing the mark "Made in Germany," must of necessity be superior to similar goods made elsewhere, and the New York Tribune attempts to explain why this is so by saying that "the German Empire is dotted all over with industrial schools, established and maintained at public expense, in which thousands of young men and young women are being scientifically educated and physically trained for various handicrafts. There is not a branch of

industry, unless it be the lowest grade of unskilled labor, that has not one or more such institutions. The result is that German factories are being filled with operatives specially and thoroughly educated for the work they have to do."

It declares that this, more than anything else, is the reason why Germany is now able to compete successfully with British trade and in British markets. Great Britain is waking up to this fact at last, and is undergoing such a movement for technical education as she has never known before." Our contemporary declares also, that "it rests with this country to decide, and that pretty promptly, whether it will adopt or not the only sure means of securing permanent industrial excellence."

The Charleston News and Courier, in commenting on the matter, says that "in each part of this country, each State must look out for itself. South Carolina must provide industrial schools for itself or go without them, and continue to depend, as it has so long depended to its hurt, on Northern States for all the manufactured articles it needs. The movement to establish a textile branch in the industrial department at Clemson deserves all the support the Legislature and the manufacturers—can give to it."

What is true of South Carolina is equally true of Virginia. Why cannot Virginia establish textile schools—or branches in some of the many institutions of learning with which the State is already blessed? In time they will be fruitful of much good.

## NOTES AND OPINIONS.

One hundred and fifteen passenger cars are being built by a Pennsylvania firm for the Orange Free State Railway, in South Africa.

The United States have only been allowed 300,000 square feet of space for exhibits at the Paris exposition of 1900. The New York merchants have asked for 125,000 feet, and Chicago wants 281,000 feet.

Only twenty years have passed since Stanley solved the mystery of the Congo River. To-day forty-five steamers ply on its waters; half of them belong to the Congo State, the others to foreign companies.

## PERSONALS.

On May 4th will be celebrated the 25th anniversary of Archbishop Corrigan's elevation to the episcopate.

Prof. Corbett, having retired from pugilism, announces that he will not talk about ring contests any more.

Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, will deliver an address at the annual meeting of the Virginia State Bar Association.

Every scholar in the six schools of the Long Island Inter-scholastic Athletic League is talking of the coming championship skating.

President Diaz, of Mexico, is to visit the principal cities of this country. He will find that his silver money will nowhere be refused, and least of all in the towns where the self-styled sound moneykies are most numerous.—Richmond Dispatch.

**A Stylish Little Dress to Spotted Child, With Fancy Collar.**

Gored skirts are a feature of many of the simple dresses for children. Four gores, as a rule, are deemed sufficient and they are fitted smoothly in front and at the sides and gathers are massed at the back. The stylish dress shown in the sketch is taken from the last number of The Delinquent. The collar, which frames the fullness



Pattern No. 9504.

In the front and has the effect of a revers, is sewed to the upper edges of the backs in the outline of a Bertha. Tiny puffs are arranged at the top of the close-fitting sleeves. Knife-platings of silk and a small amount of ribbon give the ornate finish. Sometimes the collar will contrast with the dress or it may be of velvet overlaid with lace. A dainty dress of blue serge made like this had a collar of Venetian-red velvet overlaid with cream lace.

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## A Flag of Warning.

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**\$4.69** For Men's Overcoats, medium weight, medium length, medium shade, far above medium in quality and far below medium in price. Regular bargain snaps for Four Sixty-nine.

**\$5.87** For Men's Overcoats, extremely stylish, loose fitting box back Top Coats. Fifteen Dollars never captured any more genuine good looks at other stores. Step lively if interested. Sizes are dwindling down steadily.

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**\$10.00** For Men's Overcoats—choice Dress Top Coats—assorted lengths, shapes, weights, colors, styles, shades, values that cannot be duplicated again for an X. See the show windows for Overcoat Bargains.

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**\$1.37** For Men's Pants—all wool—extra heavy—good design—strong, substantial, solid pants that are good looking and will wear as well as they look.

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**\$6.00** Storm Coats for Boys—Double weight Melton—well made, nicely trimmed, stylish, dressy and serviceable. Beyond question a remarkably strong value and a big money saver.

### BOYS' KNEE PANTS.

**17c.** For Short Pants for Boys—Made with taped seams and hold fast bands from stout woolen fabrics—sizes from age 12 to 16 inclusive.

**25c.** For Short Pants for Boys—Solid Heavy Brown Woolen Fabric—extraordinary value in Knee Pants for the Twenty-Five Cents.

**39c.** For Short Pants for Boys—Good designs—all wool—patent bands and buttons—double seat and knees—regular wear resisters.

**68c.** For Short Pants for Boys—Fine Cassimeres, worsteds and Cheviots—remnants from combination outfits—the material in some is worth more than is charged for the pants ready to wear.

### CHILDREN'S SUITS.

**98c.** For Children's Suits—Good designs—winter weight—sizes only from 10 to 16. Think of it! Substantial winter suits for boys up to age 16 for only Ninety-Eight Cents.

**\$1.47** For Children's Suits—Serviceable Cheviots—neat mixtures—the sizes are slightly out of shape—but every suit in the lot a genuine leader for One Forty-Seven.

**\$1.98** For Children's Suits—Dark navy blue twilled Cheviot—sizes only from 9 to 15—nothing larger nor smaller. One Ninety-Eight never had such purchasing power in Boys Attire.

**\$2.89** For Children's Suits—Handsome plaid Cassimere—Double seat and knee pants—Extra well made. Five dollars wouldn't ordinarily get better Boys' Suits than are now on sale at the Bargain Price of Two Eighty-Nine.

### CHILDREN'S REEFERS.

**\$1.19** For Children's Chinchilla Reefers—Sizes 3 to 8—Braided Sailor Collars—Pretty Plaid linings, pearl buttons, handsome Reefer Jackets for the little tots, only One Nineteen.

**\$1.87** For Children's Chinchilla Reefers—Heavy nap—extra quality—well made and finished—Superlative Bargain values for choice Reefers.

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